

REMARKS

Claims 1, 10-12, 17-20, and 27 are pending in the subject application.

Applicants have amended claims 1, 10-12, and 17-20, have canceled claims 2-9, 13-16, and 21-26, and have added new claim 27. These changes do not introduce any new matter.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 101

In response to the rejection of claims 20 and 21 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as being directed toward non-statutory subject matter, Applicants have amended claim 20 to specify that the computer program product includes a computer program that is stored on a computer-readable storage medium (as noted above, Applicants have herein canceled claim 21). Accordingly, Applicants submit that claim 20 now defines statutory subject matter under 35 U.S.C. § 101, and request that the rejection of this claim thereunder be withdrawn.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejection of claims 1, 3-8, 10, 17-24, and 26 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by *Smart et al.* (“*Smart*”) (US 2003/0208691 A1) (as noted above, claims 3-8, 21-24, and 26 have been canceled herein). As will be explained in more detail below, the *Smart* reference does not disclose each and every feature of independent claims 1 and 17-19, as amended herein.

Applicants have amended each of independent claims 1 and 17-19 to recite features that are not shown in the *Smart* reference. By way of example, each of amended claims 1 and 17-19 specifies that the extended function includes at least one of a PIM function and an Exif printing function. For at least this reason, the *Smart* reference does not disclose each and every feature of amended claims 1 and 17-19.

Accordingly, independent claims 1 and 17-19, as amended herein, are patentable under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) over *Smart*. Claims 10 and 20, each of which now depends from

claim 1, are likewise patentable under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) over *Smart* for at least the same reasons set forth above regarding claim 1.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

In light of the cancellation of claim 2 herein, the rejection of this claim under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Smart* in view of *Nguyen et al.* (US 7,136,941 B2) is moot.

In light of the cancellation of claims 9, 16, and 25 herein, the rejection of these claims under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Smart* in view of *Kuwata et al.* (US 2002/0030833 A1) is moot.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejection of claims 11-15 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Smart* in view of *Okada* (US 6,980,699 B1) (as noted above, claims 13-15 have been canceled herein). Each of claims 11 and 12 now ultimately depends from claim 1 (via claim 10). The deficiencies of the *Smart* reference relative to the subject matter defined in amended claim 1 are discussed above in connection with the anticipation rejection of claim 1. The *Okada* reference does not cure the above-discussed deficiencies of the *Smart* reference relative to the subject matter defined in amended claim 1. Accordingly, claims 11 and 12 are patentable under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over the combination of *Smart* in view of *Okada* for at least the reason that each of these claims ultimately depends from claim 1.

New Claim

As noted above, Applicants have added new claim 27, which depends from claim 1. Applicants believe that claim 27 defines patentable subject matter for at least the reason that this claim depends from claim 1.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and reexamination of claims 1, 10-12, and 17-20, as amended herein, and examination of claim 27, and submit that these claims are in condition for allowance. In the event a telephone conversation would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner may reach the undersigned at **(408) 749-6902**. If any fees are due in connection with the filing of this paper, then the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. NGBCP003).

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